ACROSS THE CONTINENT.

The Upper Columbia River - Its Scenery-Its Navigation-The Fields it Opens-Oregon and its Position [Cerrespondence of the Springfield Republican.]

PORTLAND ORNSON, July 23, 1865. When ar enthusiastic Oregonian told me the Columbia river was the largest on the continent, and watered a winer section of country than any other. I thought of the St Lawrence and the Mississippi, and smiled with mild incredulity. But agroff your map, and trace its course into the eart of this north weatern interior, through the Cascade Mountains, back into the great basin between them and the Rocky Mountains, and then, by its main branches, stretching up north and winding out through all of British Columbia, and south and west into Idaho, and over into the bowels of the Rocky Mountains, touching with its fingers all the vast area north of the great desert basin and west of the Rocky Mountains; then sail with me up and down its mile and a half wide sweep of majestic volume, at the distance of one hundred and fifty miles above its mouth; see what steemboats already navigate its waters, and the points to which they reach; the use of its most distant upper waters, in British Columbia and Idaho-sapping the very vitals of British dominion in the Northwest, and practically tapping the Pacific railroad as it comes | Agents for the sale of Daubenspeck's celebrated "Wild Bose Valley," and other brands of Family Figur. Oregon-do all this, and we will make our how together to the Oregonians and their great river. Only more full surveys can determine the literal correctness of their claims to superior vastness; the Columbia with its chief division, the Snake, may be anywhere from 1,200 to 2,000 miles in length; but that it ranks among three or four great rivers of the world, and that it is the key to vast political and commercial questions and interests-giving to its line the elements of a powerful rivalry to the great central commercial route of our continent, of which San Francisco is the Pacific terminas no one who examines its position and extent, and witnesses the various capacity of the territory it waters, can for a moment doubt. A distinguishing feature in the landscape of

this ride up the Columbia-apart from it, yet bounding it, shadowing it, yet enkindling it with the highest majesty and beauty-is Mount Hood. its fellows, and seen, now through their gorges, and again at the end of apparent long plains. eading up to it from the river. Most magni ficent views of it are obtained through nearly all the sail up and down from Portland. That which Bierstadt has chosen for its perpetuation on sanvas, and which is thus familiar to Eastern eyes, is the most complete and impressive, and recognized upon the steamboat. In it, the moun tain seems to rise, apart, out from an upward going plain, snow-covered from base to summit; eppressive in its majesty, beautiful in form, angelic in its whiteness-the union of all that is great and pure and impressive. Various heights are claimed for Hood, from 13,000 to 18,500 feet; but it is not likely it exceeds 15,000 feet. There is the best reason to believe that the famous high peaks of the Pacific States have been popularly over-estimated; there are many indisputably from 12,000 to 14,000 feet high; but the highest mountain on the coast is believed to have been one measured last year in Southern California, and rising to the height of about 16,000 feet. Adding this crowning element to the scenery of the Columbia river, and it is probably just to say of it that this excursion offers more of natural beauty and wonder to interest and excite the traveler than any other single expedition or spot which the Pacific coast presents, except the Yo Semite Valley. That must stand first, unrivaled and unapproachable. But to this I give the sec-

The navigation of the Columbia River is now in the hands of a strong and eneroctic company, who not only lave the expanity to improve all its present opportunities, but the foresight to seek out and create new ones. They are indeed making paths in the wilderness, and show more comprehension of the situation and purposes to develop it than any set of men I have yet met on the Pacific coast Organized in 1861, with property worth \$175,000, they have now, with eighteen or twenty first-nisse steamboats, the two railroads around the Cascades and the Dalles, and their appointments, warehouses at all the office of the Company, in Covington, Jud., at the office of principal towns on the river, including one 935 Wm. Dale, No. 25 Park Place, N. Y. City, at the office of feet long at Cellilo, and real estate in preparation for future growth, a total property of rising two million dollars, all earned from their businesss. Besides this great more see of wealth from their own enterprise, they have paid themselves in dividends \$332 750. By wagon road from the alles, from Umatilla, and from Willufa the river and their boats have formed and still form the chearis 260 miles from Umatilhi, and Owybee 280 miles. The road from the other points are louger and peorer. So large have been the travel and and Krie Canal, some of them upon its banks. trade in this direction in the last few years that the Gregori Steam Navigation Company has cardown on the river nearly 100,000 passengers, in-

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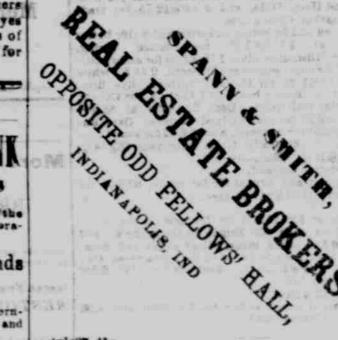
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